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GOVERNMENT OF PUNJAB

DEPARTMENT OF HOME (JAILS)
(Jail Branch)

NOTIFICATION

The 16th May, 2020

No.1/274/2018-1J/947.-In exercise of the powers conferred by the Sub Section 2(A) of Section 3 of the Punjab Good Conduct Prisoners (Temporary Release) Act 1962, the Governor of Punjab is pleased to allow temporary release of prisoners, even beyond 16 weeks or for such period and in such manner as recommended by the High Powered Committee constituted as per directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in *Suo Motu Writ Petition (Civil) No. 1/2020 IN RE: CONTAGION OF COVID 19 VIRUS IN PRISONS*.

2. Further, the condition of availing of Parole on quarterly basis is waived off for the calendar year 2020.
3. These powers shall be exercised in accordance with the Act and Rules made there under, and guidelines issued by the Government from time to time, and under the overall supervision of the State Government.

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